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The Honorable Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

**Re: STB Docket No. AB-6 (Sub. No. 408X) BNSF Railway Company—  
Abandonment Exemption—in Hamilton and Merrick Counties, NE**

Dear Secretary Williams:

In reply to the Nebraska Trails Foundation, Inc. letter to you dated October 6, 2006, BNSF Railway Company ("BNSF") does not oppose the issuance of a Notice of Interim Trails Use extension in the above-referenced docket.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 338-1325.

Sincerely,

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